



PATENT APPLICATION

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For: MANIFOLD WITH INTEGRATED PIPE FOR A HEAT EXCHANGER

RESPONSE TO WRITTEN RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
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April 07, 2005

Sir :

In response to the Written Restriction mailed March 07, 2005, Applicant hereby elects, with traverse, Figures 1-6. Claims 1, 2, 3, 7, 8, 9, 11 and 12 are readable on the elected species and claims 1, 2, 9, 11 and 12 are generic.

REMARKS

Applicant hereby traverse the restriction, and specifically, the grouping of Figures 1-6 separately from Figures 7-10 because the only difference between the embodiments of Figures 1-6 and Figures 7-10 is the overall shape of the walls and the location on the inlet/outlet tube 32, 68. No other differences exist; therefore, there is no patentable distinction between the embodiments of Figures 1-6 and Figures 7-10.